

28 March 2012

Ms. Monique Beauregard Chair, Ottawa Municipal Campground Authority

Mr. C. Don Murphy Manager, Ottawa Municipal Campground 101 Centerpointe Drive Ottawa, ON K2G 5K7 corskstowncamp@ottawa.ca

Re: City of Ottawa's New Smoke-Free Regulations

Dear Ms. Beauregard and Mr. Murphy,

We are writing to inform you that on March 28, 2012 City Council passed by-laws to provide for more smoke-free spaces. These amended by-laws (collectively referred to as the "smoke-free regulations") will take effect **April 2, 2012.** Further, Council on February 22, 2012 approved a disposition that Council recommend to Local Boards to bring property under its management in compliance with these amended by-laws. These smoke-free regulations are part of a strategy that is designed to protect children and non-smokers from second-hand smoke, while reducing smoking rates.

The repeal of a provision of the Parks and Facility By-law 2004-276, as amended, is of particular relevance to Local Boards. This by-law provision previously prohibited smoking within nine (9) metres of an entrance or exit of a building that is owned or leased by the City, and has now been replaced with a provision **that prohibits smoking anywhere on an outdoor area of municipal property**. Under these new smoke-free regulations, municipal property includes parks, playgrounds, beaches, sports fields, and outdoor areas around City facilities but excludes outdoor property managed by local boards, as defined in the *Municipal Act*, 2001.

We invite your Local Board to consider the above mentioned Council disposition and formally endorse that the Parks and Facility By-law 2004-276, as amended, be extended to prohibit smoking on all outdoor property managed by your Local Board. Should you like further discussion or support on next steps, Ottawa Public Health would be pleased to facilitate a meeting with relevant stakeholders.

Should you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Dr. Isra Levy

Medical Officer of Health

M. Rick O'Connor, CMO City Clerk and Solicitor